IN THE UNITED STATES TEATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

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Group Art Unit: 1642

Application No. 09/436,347

Examiner: Alana M. Harris

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Title:

TREATMENT OF HEMATOLOGIC MALIGNANCIES ASSOCIATED WITH

CIRCULATING TUMOR CELLS USING CHIMERIC ANTI-CD20 ANTIBODY

AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the official action dated September 29, 2003, wherein the claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first and second paragraphs, § 102 subparts (a) and (b), and § 103(a).

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